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Ken met twice with [redacted] and other OIS representatives about plans for the 18-19 March meetings with the five consultants about the Historical Review Program. He prepared vitas for all five consultants, for the DCI. He also urged OIS to join in pressing DO/IMS to review the OSS World War II films for possible transfer to the Archives, and also to transfer the already declassified material from SSU and CIG for the 1945-47 period.

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Ken asked Chuck Briggs about unclassified testimony from the DCI, DDCI, etc. that might be suitable for the State Department's annual publication on American foreign policy. Briggs thinks there is little unclassified material of any sort.

[redacted] one of our prospective Staff Historians, visited the office while he was in town on Army reserve duty, attending a meeting of Army military historians. All three of the selected candidates are in process now. Ken submitted a memo to the Director of Security, requesting a waiver for [redacted] OP reportedly is now generally getting people cleared in 90 days.

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Two requesters were turned down. One was [redacted] a librarian with DO [redacted] who wanted to xerox our copy of the history on Covert Support to the [redacted] for her collection.

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[redacted] attempted to dissuade her, and pointed out that in any event she needed approval from EA Division. The other refusal was to someone who identified himself as a student at American University and who telephoned several times wanting information on Tom Troy and his book on Donovan and the CIA, [redacted] as instructed, told him we did not operate a research service.

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[redacted] came in to look at our history on the early years of [redacted] He is contemplating doing an article on domestic collection for Studies in Intelligence.

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[redacted] handled by telephone a request from [redacted], DDO/IMS, for a chronology for COI, OSS, SSU, and CIG. He is preparing new regulations regarding verification of employment for veterans of these organizations.

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The National Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History, the American Historical Association, and the Society for History in the Federal Government are co-sponsoring a half-day round-table discussion on 19 March for the principal historians of federal agency historical offices. The session will be hosted by the Senate History Office and moderated by the Chief Historian of the Department of Energy. Since Ken will be occupied with our own history consultants that day, [] will represent CIA at the meeting.

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Don met with [] a DDS&T retiree, who went over some of Don's draft chapters and provided comments.

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Diane attended a two-day course at OTE; it was essentially assertiveness training.

[] was occupied for much of this period looking after painters, Wang repairmen, and a crew installing wiring for a neighboring office. At this point, we have freshly painted quarters and two Wang printers operating more or less as they should.

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Paul Kennedy, a Wang representative, came over last week to discuss upgrading our equipment. Ken and Bob later went over to Wang for demonstrations of Wang systems for Alliance up-grading of our word processing and for the possible incorporation of Wang PC computers in a new system. They also consulted [] OIT, about the Wang and access to main-frame computer systems.

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Bob will be interviewing James Angleton this afternoon in connection with his chapter in the Helms history []

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